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Get involved in the community (boards, public office), volunteer for programs, get to know your neighbors.	13 - 15	I A 1 - I A 3	serve	no, though state and local government could focus on appointing more "regular folks" to Boards and commissions	no, not directly. Neighborhood programs could be funded with state grants	volunteerism, parents, students, internships, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, schools, neighborhoods, public relations	public service announcements promoting involvement or a neighborhood/village involvement plan (see implementation), comment in State of the Child address	s	I	Anch. is a recip. of a Pew Charit. Trusts grant to promote civic entrepreneurs. Part of the goal of this project is to get "regular folk" on state and local Bds and Comms. Vols may also work on comm. policing programs like comm. patrol or Sitka's CPU. GCYJ is promoting greater community involvement through community meetings. Anch. Youth Summit encourages youth to apply for Board seats. Youth Courts funded by Alaska Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee (AJJAC), Alaska Native Justice Center (ANJC), DoEd and GCYJ promote youth leadership. Prudential Leadership camp in 1998 and '99 does same. GCYJ funds Choices for Teens Media Information Project in Homer which promotes leadership.
Help out at school, Become more active with the school board, learn more about parenting, participate in after-school activities with kids	15 - 17	I B 1 - I B 4	mentor, protect, teach	no	no	volunteerism, schools, parents, business, after school activities, public relations	psa's, involvement plan, State of the Child address		I	State and Anchorage delegations to the President's volunteer summit are seeking to establish mentoring efforts throughout the state. Adolescent Health Advisory Committee is promoting mentoring and had a track at Dec. '98 Health Summit including mentoring. AASB promotes Asset development around the state. Publication of Alaska Assets book. DZ Middle School in Juneau is developing Afterschool program to increase parent involvement (GCYJ funding proposed).

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Volunteer (senior programs, day care centers, community projects)	17 - 19	I C 1	mentor, serve	no	no	volunteerism, communities, public relations	psa's, involvement plan		I	Lt. Governor's office, through the President's Summit on volunteerism, is promoting statewide volunteer action. This includes development of a "Promise Book" in conjunction w/ vol. agencies in Anch. and other like activities. GCYJ funds Youth leadership program promoting volunteerism and a community service coordinator in Anchorage with one under consideration for Sitka.
Join a youth court project	19	I C 2	serve, teach	no	no	volunteerism, youth court, students, parents, public relations, jj	psa's, public involvement		I	AJJAC, GCYJ and DofEd funded courts in Kodiak, Anch., Fbnks., Mat-Su, Nome, Sitka, Kenai/Homer and Valdez. Other projects under consideration in Kotzebue and Juneau. ANJC is establishing courts in Napakiak and Tetlin. New Youth Court manual under development by AK Nat Jus. Cnt. APPA held regional Teen ct. conf. in Anch. in Oct., 97. State Youth Court ASSN developed. There are also community/elder courts in Elim, Koyuk, Togiak and Barrow and proposed in Bethel, Kotlik, Pt. Hope and Galena along with others above.
Get involved with decision makers	19	I C 3	serve	no	no	volunteerism, students, internships	encourage students to become active with leaders at all levels	s	I	Community Advisory Committees in Ketchikan, Kenai, Nome and Mat-Su are working with decision makers to develop new youth detention facilities to meet community needs. GCYJ funds youth leadership initiatives in Homer (Choices for Teens) and Anchorage (Prudential Leadership Program -- draws statewide). Youth courts create meaningful interactions with decision makers by youth in each community they serve.

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Develop plans and priorities to decide where funding is needed most	25	II A 1 a	protect	no	yes, some funds should be available to provide technical assistance.	planning, funding, communities, grants, technical assistance, public relations, jj	state to provide tech assist to communities through understandable budget inf. (what is available) and by helping communities learn to plan through development of a handbook to assist communities in addressing youth and justice issues	s	I	State provides some TA through the Project Coordinator (GCYJ), through COMPASS, and through PATCH. New projects include identifying resources for youth courts, comm. policing, community courts, funding for Youth Corps and other community based initiatives. Project underway by GCYJ coordinator to create funding matrix for state communities.
Work in partnership with the state to develop agreements on each one's roles and responsibilities for the provision of services	29	II A 1 b	none	yes, EO's or Cooperative agreements between communities and agencies	no	community based services, partnerships, interagency coordination, jj	continue to identify and develop Cooperative agreements with communities that seek to provide services for and prosecute misdemeanants	s	I	State provides such agreements in Elim and Koyuk. The Togiak agreement provides greater local control. Barrow has developed a court along these lines. Local persons are developing written guidelines and can provide further training for emerging community courts along the Togiak model.
Develop a pool of services to respond to lower-priority juvenile cases	31	II A 1 c	none	maybe, depends on the action	yes, in some instances, though this is not necessary in all cases	community based services, alternatives to detention, youth courts, restorative justice, jj, community courts	catalogue different type of programs offered in the state in an "easy to access" publication	s	I	Many programs exist, but have not been catalogued, among these are DFYS/AJJAC funded youth courts and community courts in Togiak, Barrow, Elim, and Koyuk. Comm. Dispute and Fam. Mediation programs in Anchorage and Mat-Su. Also part of new youth facility planning process. Greater focus on Restorative Justice efforts underway in Corrections and youth corrections. CDRC being developed in Fairbanks with support of GCYJ. GCYJ funding community-based community service component in Anchorage (1998). Some Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant (JAIBG) funds could be used to develop these.

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Work with the state to create coordinated case management for people who use multiple services and to make more uniform the forms people use to apply for public assistance or participate in programs	37	II A 1 d	none	yes, requires agreements between agencies	no	interagency coordination, client services, families,	a clear plan should be devised through existing inter-agency groups to ensure that forms are streamlined. The "Middlesex" community justice team model could be suggested for communities (see p. 256)	s		There are interagency working groups, and case coordination with DHSS. The Div. of Public Assistance and Gov. have initiated new welfare-to-work plan and AK. Comm. Employ. Plan which includes streamlining functions. Assessment cntns are being explored. Private enterprise has been engaged in job placement and support of recipients. Multidisciplinary teams are being established in Family Services. Inter Tribal Collaboration has discussed development of multi8-disiplinary approach.
Work with the state and with local schools to create and fund school-based or school-linked health clinics	39	II A 1 e	possibly, nurture	no	yes, some grant funds might be provided in cooperation with other governmental agencies	schools, health, students	need to identify opportunities for sharing resources and communities interested in school-linked health clinics	s	I	Project Coordinator has met with Anchorage architects who are exploring design plans that would incorporate community centers and other community services into school design. JDHS in Juneau has established a health clinic in the high school.
Provide more recreational facilities, such as bike paths, swimming pools, and recreation centers	43	II A 2 a	protect	no	yes, grant funds w/other agencies	after school activities, students, grants	encourage communities to include rec. facilities in their planning process; state grants could include requirement that rec. opportunities be considered in design and construction	s	I	Fairbanks COMPASS group has provided funding for a pilot program at Barnette school to develop an after school recreation program. Anchorage arch. exploring community based design for new schools. COMPASS in Petersburg has developed community movie theatre which has raised funds for community projects.

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Open more recreation areas, libraries, homework centers, and education programs for youth, including tutoring, computer skills, humanities and the arts, and athletics, and make these activities available both during the day and in the evening	43	II A 2 b	protect, teach	no	no	after school activities, students, parents, communities	see II A 2 a		I	Some community based alternatives (tutoring, etc.) are funded by federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention grants through the AJJAC and DFYS. Also see Fairbanks COMPASS recreation alternatives. Muldoon Community Development Corporation has developed one stop shop in rec. facility. Alaska Humanities Forum is also developing a Humanities-based (Clemente) program for low income and minority youth and young adults supported by a GCYJ grant. DZ Middle School in Juneau is developing Afterschool program to increase parent involvement (GCYJ funding proposed).
Expand cultural activities and recreational opportunities (e.g., music, arts, multi-cultural events) for youth	45	II A 2 c	protect	no	no	after school activities, students, arts, communities	see II A 2 a		I	COMPASS in Petersburg has helped students develop a movie theatre. Nome Community Care has helped develop student run coffee shop. Other COMPASS communities are helping set up community alternatives for youth. DZ Middle School in Juneau Afterschool program is culturally based to improve attendance by minority parents (GCYJ funding proposed).
Encourage and promote no-cost family entertainment and activities that are alcohol- and drug-free	45	II A 2 d	protect	no	no	after school programs, recreation, alcohol prevention, public relations	promote alternative activities for families and kids		I	DFYS/AJJAC funds a youth club in Port Graham, and helps support similar activities in Brevig Mission with an OJJDP grant. AHAC and Section on Maternal and Child Health work with media and private enterprise to support Spirit of Youth campaign celebrating kids achievements. DZ Middle School in Juneau is developing Afterschool program to increase parent involvement (GCYJ funding proposed).

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Help make quality child care available in all communities	49	II A 3 a	nurture	no	maybe, may need to subsidize some services	child care, parenting, community based services	make information available to communities on becoming a "licensing partner", establish a statewide system of resource and referral centers by and within communities	s	I	Efforts are underway within DHSS and across Departments to coordinate child care funds to expand resources. This is a key component of the Jobs Cabinet's Alaska Community Employment Plan. The Alaska IN project in DCRA is also seeking to achieve greater quality and availability of safe and healthy child care services for children with special needs.
Provide parent and family resource centers and education	53	II A 3 b	nurture	no	yes, funds have been used to establish Healthy Families programs	parenting classes, Healthy Families, transportation, community-based services	facilitate community specific parenting approaches that reach populations in need	s	I	Healthy Families programs in Anchorage, Juneau and other parts of the state are working toward this goal. DFYS funds community-based family resource programs in several communities.
Enforce the new state laws for runaways and those adults who contribute to the delinquency of minors	57	II A 4 a	none	no	maybe, some grant funds might be used to seed develop of community based alternatives	runaways, alternatives to detention, child abuse, jj	help develop community-based detention facilities	s	I	DFYS/AJJAC already provides seed funds for nine non-secure detention shelters; this model should be expanded to cover new semi-secures. These are safe alternatives for runaways. Recent development of assessment center concept for youth facilities may also be of some assistance.
Increase public education and awareness about runaways	61	II A 4 b	none	no	no	runaways, public education, jj	state should provide accessible summary of runaway laws and contact numbers to communities	s	I	The Anchorage based Juvenile Justice Working Group publishes information on runaways and other JJ issues through their "RAP" sheet. Anchorage Gang Task Force is also focusing on runaways. Juneau's Youth on the Streets is working with youth to develop alternatives. Assessment Centers may also provide alternatives for runaways.

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Reduce time delays for law enforcement agencies to report on juvenile offenses	63	II A 4 c	none	no	no	reporting, interagency coordination, timeliness, restorative justice, jj	state can facilitate standardizing reporting	s	I	The Anchorage School District and Police currently work together and issue "safety alerts". Policies and Procedures governing alerts have been finalized by the state DFYS. SHOCAP project in Anchorage is being initiated to develop shared data on former offenders. Anchorage Community-based Policing has police working as partners with youth probation in contacting probationers. This and other cooperation has led to decrease in delays. Community and youth courts have a similar impact. JAIBG funds may also be used to support efforts to reduce time delays.
Provide victim-offender mediation programs	65	II A 4 d	serve	no	yes, federal, state local or grant funds (private capital) could be used to support these programs	victims, mediation, restorative justice, alternatives to detention, students as mediators, jj	dissemination of victim offender mediation models to communities	s	I	Programs such as the community dispute resolution center, v/o mediation, are being funded by AJJAC/DFYS with federal OJJDP funds and some state, private and local funds in Anchorage and the Mat-Su. Fairbanks is beginning the development of a CDRC with the support of GCYJ. DFYS has made a significant commitment to VO med. through Restorative Justice -- now in state statute as juv. phil., some JAIBG funds might be used for VO programs.
Work in partnership with communities and other agencies to strengthen alternative education programs and alternatives to suspension (e.g., in-school suspension, alternative school programs)	69	II B 1 a	teach	no	yes, federal dollars are presently used in conjunction with some state, local and private funds to support these program.	alternatives to suspension, after school programs, community service, students, employment, jj	identify, if possible, a regular source of funding for alternative programs	s	I	Alts funded in Anch. and Mat-Su, though funding's been cut. Recent increases in education funds may sustain these programs. The AK Comm. Employ. Plan (Jobs Cabinet) emphasizes work with dropouts/in-school retent. AYPF offers schl for susp. students for a \$25 fee. Revisions to create Model Alt Lrn Syst. in FBX., some JAIBG funds could be used for these programs.

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Develop and enforce local truancy policies as permitted by state law	73	II B 1 b	none	no	no	students, truancy, schools, parenting, jj	ensure that adherence to truancy plan law is monitored, facilitate the development of attendance incentive programs	s	I	Truancy laws require cooperation of school boards. Anchorage has attempted a new truancy law, though it has not yet been enacted.
Provide comprehensive health education	77	II B 2 a	teach	no	no, not from state	health, schools, students, nutrition, drugs, smoking, alcohol	encourage development of community-based health curriculum based on sound research		I	The Adolescent Health Advisory Committee in the Ad Health Plan recommends a Comprehensive School Health program (p. 123 of that doc.)
Provide alcohol and drug avoidance programs at all levels	79	II B 2 b	teach	no	no, not from state	alcohol treatment and prevention, students, schools, public relations, jj	promotion of working alcohol and drug avoidance programs to Alaska school districts		I	DFYS/AJJAC sponsors OJJDP grants in Nome and other sites which promote substance abuse and violence prevention. Div. of Alc. and Drg. Abuse, AHAC, and other state agencies also promote curricula for prevention of substance abuse. New combating Underage Drinking grant (\$350,000) in development in DFYS with DADA support. Discussion with judges to ensure treatment option offered for MCAs has been initiated. New SIB grants (Div. of Alcohol has \$9 million) may be used for prevention efforts. Some JAIBG funds may be provided here. Choices for Teens (Homer -- funded by GCYJ) promotes alcohol avoidance.
Promote peer helping programs	81	II B 2 c	mentor, serve, teach	no	yes	students, schools, alcohol, drugs, violence prevention, jj	support program funding, perhaps seek private funds	s	I	Div. of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse presently fund the State Peer Helper Program. Alaska Lung Association also promotes a peer helper program for prevention of smoking. Some JAIBG funds could be used to support programs. Choices for Teens (Homer -- funded by GCYJ) promotes peer helping.

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Teach and model conflict resolution skills	85	II B 2 d	teach, serve	no	no	conflict resolution, students, schools, violence prevention, peer mediation, jj	provide good data on successful programs and ensure their availability		I	Some communities are promoting RCCP and other conflict resolution programs. OJJDP funds, through DFYS/AJJAC, have been directed to Bethel Tundra Women's Coalition for conflict and violence resolution efforts. Safe Schools meeting in June, 98 also addressed these issues. DofEd has assessed present programs offered in schools as part of Safe Schools funding. GCYJ funded PACT training at 1998 Prevention Symposium (Nov.) Some JAIBG funds could be used here. Choices for Teens (Homer) and Prudential Youth Leadership (Anchorage) -- funded by GCYJ -- promote conflict resolution.
Promote school-to-work programs	91	II B 3 a	teach, protect, mentor	no	yes, pass through funds from federal government	students, employment, schools, business, partnership	track grant recipients (DOE) to ensure that they will become self-sustaining (as required)	s	I	23 sites offer school-to-work programs &/or job corps and other community based efforts. The Alaska Community Employment Plan of the Jobs Cabinet emphasizes this. See also Alt. Learn. Syst in Fairbanks and Co-op classes in FBX (job placement & credit).
Establish programs in which students can make positive, visible contributions to the community	95	II B 3 b	serve	no	no	students, volunteerism, service learning, community service, jj	assess extent of existing service learning programs, promote and assist in development of additional sites		I	"Spirit of Youth" campaign with Alaska's ABC affiliate and the Section on Maternal and Child Health, seeks to identify and encourage positive youth contributions across the state. Anchorage also has a Muni sponsored, similar, program. Development of Youth recognizing foundation in Anch. for state underway. Community of Service Award initiated by Commissioner of DH&SS. Prudential Leadership program (supported by GCYJ) provides student contribution possibilities. Some JAIBG funds could be used for this. Youth restitution program funded by GCYJ as part of "Making a Difference" in Anchorage and "Choices for Teens" (Homer) do this.

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Promote "open school" and "open gym" programs	99	II B 4 a	protect	no	no	schools, after school activities, students, jj	facilitate agreement between schools, labor for opening school sites		I	Fairbanks COMPASS group has provided funding for a pilot program at Barnette school to develop an after school recreation program. New designs are being explored by Anchorage architects. Some JAIBG funds could be used for these programs.
Employers and businesses can provide and promote comprehensive preventative health care coverage	103	II C 1	nurture	no	no, unless the state subsidizes an innovative business health care policy	employers, health care, parenting	determine levels and extent of health care coverage in Alaska		I	The Governor's SMART START initiative sets an example by promoting health care coverage for 11,000 of Alaska's uninsured youth and 980 uninsured pregnant women.
Provide flexible work schedules for parents	103	II C 2	nurture	no, possibly a resolution	no	employers, parents, public relations, child care	continue to support agency flex time and promote flex time for business	s	I	Depart. of Revenue, CSED allows flex time as do other agencies. New flex options for Anchorage youth probation.
Allow parents at least three hours a month to spend "in school" with their children	103	II C 3	none	maybe, might redraft AK Family Leave Act to cover private employers (see II C 4)	no	employers, schools, parents, volunteerism, students, public relations, legislation	through public relations or psa's possibly promote this idea, also State of the Child		I	Mayor of Anchorage is exploring a leave strategy to allow employees to take time with kids. This is also being promoted through the Anchorage Chamber.
Provide reasonable maternity and paternity leave policies	105	II C 4	nurture	maybe, might redraft AK Family Leave Act to cover private employers (see II C 3)	yes	employers, parents, insurance, Healthy Families, legislation, public relations	explore amendments to Leave Act; explore tax deferment, insurance pooling or grants for small businesses; promote idea through public relations or psa's	s	I	No action.
Provide and promote day care	105	II C 5	nurture	no	no, unless the state subsidizes an innovative business health care policy	employers, child care, parenting, partnerships	work with businesses to develop working partnership models for child care	s	I	Alaska Temporary Assistance Program (ATAP) will develop referrals for child care for ATAP recipients. One year transitional child care benefits for former ATAP participants. See also the Alaska IN project at DCRA (#II A 3 a above).

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Provide mentoring programs	109	II C 6	mentor	no	maybe, dollars or reduction in fees for background checks of potential mentors has been requested	volunteerism, mentoring, business, students, schools, public relations, jj	could promote this idea through psa's, State of the Child. Also, the state could provide reduced fees or funds for background checks	s	I	DFYS/AJJAC funds a mentoring effort in Wrangell with OJJDP funds. Big Brothers/Big Sisters are coordinating fundraising efforts around the state. AHAC is promoting mentoring and presented on this topic at Health Summit, Dec. 98. New mentoring program ideas being explored in Mat-Su. GCYJ funded Mentoring training at Dec 98 Health Summit. Some JAIBG funds could be provided here.
Hire students, accept student community work service or volunteer placements, sponsor paid internships and apprenticeships for young people, encourage career ladders from paid internships to longer-term jobs, join "adopt-a-school" programs	109	II C 7 a - II C 7 e	mentor, teach, protect, serve	no	no	employment, students, business, community service, internships, adopt-a-school, public relations, jj	could promote these ideas through psa's, public relations and the State of the Child address		I	Alaska Community Employment Plan of the Jobs Cabinet emphasizes school-to-work, and other youth employment efforts. First Job/Educational Services and year round job and ed. for youth are components of ACEP job training tasks. Some JAIBG funds could be used for this. GCYJ funds a youth restitution program coordinator at Volunteers of America to support Making a Difference and Prudential Youth Leadership to coordinate opportunities for youth.
Develop mentoring programs	113	II D 1 a - c	mentor	no	no	volunteerism, mentoring, service and religious organizations, public relations, jj	could promote these ideas through psa's, public relations and the State of the Child address		I	Through United Way, the Muni. of Anchorage and the Anchorage Center for Families the "Petrinko" concept -- the creation of an artificial extended "foster" family -- is being developed. If successful this could lead to a state model. Discussion continues about developing foster family for families in Kotzebue area. GCYJ funded a mentoring track at the Alaska Public Health Conference (December 1998) and plans future trainings.
Help parents buy and own homes by providing low-interest loans and loan services	115	II D 2 a	none	no	maybe, could use state funds to guarantee loans	home ownership, loans, parents, economics	state should encourage financial institutions to develop ownership policies, support AHFC home ownership programs		I	AHFC does provide low interest loan opportunities as do the 14 regional housing authorities.

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Help parents enter business by providing "bridge loans"	115	II D 2 b	none	no	maybe, could use state funds to guarantee loans	business, loans, parents, economics	state should encourage financial institutions to develop ownership policies for small business		I	The Division of Public Assistance is in the process of developing a program that would allow welfare recipients to set aside funds to be used to develop small businesses to help move themselves off welfare.
Provide more coverage of positive events involving youth, especially school events beyond athletics	116	II D 3 a	none	no	no	media, positive roles, students, schools, jj	meet with media regularly and highlight deserving kids and programs	s	I	In Anchorage the DHSS section on Maternal and Child Health has spearheaded the "Spirit of Youth" day and awards with local government and businesses. Similar efforts are underway in many other communities. Development of new youth recognizing foundation underway in Anchorage. Media awareness campaign in Homer (Choices for Teens -- funded by GCYJ) should help.
Educate the public more about the juvenile justice system, explaining terminology and the process	117	II D 3 b	none	no	no	media, terminology, public information, jj	provide terminology to media outlets	s		Some language has been proposed by a representative and this is under review by the Children's Cabinet.
Report outcomes of juvenile offenses	117	II D 3 c	none	no	no	media, public information, jj	should provide outcome information without names	s		1997's HB 6 allows for public availability of information relating to disposition of certain juvenile offenders. DFYS has implemented this law and provided training to staff and the press on the availability of formerly confidential records of certain juveniles.
Newspapers: Report the numbers of reports of harm filed with Health and Social Services	119	II D 3 d	none	no	no	child abuse, media, public information	coordinate with Dept. of Law, DFYS and state news media to publish reports	s		New law requires number of reports of harm be publicly provided by DFYS on the internet

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Work in partnership with others on youth issues	125	III A 1	serve	no	yes	coordination, community based services, collaboration, students involved, jj	support and, if necessary, fund collaborative efforts like the AK State Head Start Collaboration Grant to encourage transition to local authority for some services	s	I	Head Start Collaboration Grant is a working example. OJJDP (DFYS/AJJAC) grants require community collaboration between agencies as do many other grants. Community development efforts through Project Coordinator also promote this approach. Statewide planning process similar to GCYJ might be pursued to provide clear outcome based plan. Community funding matrix being developed to determine all present juv just related funding to various communities. Many grantees of GCYJ do this as collaborative efforts.
Provide technical assistance to help communities respond to the needs of children and youth	127	III A 1 a	none	no	yes, some to pay for positions and travel for TA	coordination, planning, technical assistance, psa's, public relations, jj	publicize the availability of TA for community planning and other efforts	s	I	Hired Project Coordinator GCYJ, COMPASS, PATCH. Proj. Coordinator has facilitated community based approaches to policy in Nome, Kotzebue, Fairbanks, Kenai, Mat Su, Ketchikan, Togiak, Barrow, Homer, Valdez, Bethel, Kotlik, Napakiak, Koyuk, Elim, Galena, Juneau, and among a number of groups in Anchorage.
Use the Children's Trust Fund to provide seed money for community projects	129	III A 1 b	serve, protect, nurture, mentor	no	yes, from the CTF	community based services, neighborhoods, child abuse, jj	coordinate funding with community serving agencies	s	I	Grants were made in July 1997 and in June 1998 to organizations around the state.
Widely publicize information about prevention and be creative in how the information is disseminated	131	III A 1 c	none	no	yes	media, public information, prevention, psa's, parenting, health, alcohol and drug risks, public relations, jj	develop public relations plan	s		No coordinated action, though there are individual efforts in some areas of state government. There was a GCYJ presentation at the annual state Prevention symposium. AHAC and other groups have discussed public relations efforts. Youth Corrections and AJJAC promote prevention also.

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Expand home visitation programs to cover all of Alaska	137	III A 2 a	nurture	yes, "An Act establishing the Healthy Families Alaska program" was authored by the Governor	yes, \$614,000 in FY 98 budget	Healthy Families, prenatal and infant care, parent, legislation	pass Governor's legislation and appropriation	s	I	Healthy Families projects are functioning in Kenai, Juneau, Fairbanks and Anchorage and four other communities. Legislation and funding did not pass the legislature in 1997 but funding was approved in 1998 (FY 99) to continue current level of operations.
Consider providing comprehensive, preventative health care for mothers, infants, and children	141	III A 2 b	nurture	yes, "An Act establishing the Healthy Families Alaska program"	yes, \$19.8 to \$50.0 million	health, prevention, parenting, coordination, Medicaid, legislation	expand Alaska's Medicaid program, promoting health coordination	s		Healthy Families programs in Kenai, Juneau, Fairbanks and Anchorage and four other communities. The Governor's SMART START initiative is promoting health care coverage for 11,000 of Alaska's uninsured youth and 980 uninsured pregnant women.
Make more drug and alcohol treatment facilities available to pregnant women	142	III A 2 c	nurture	no	yes	FAS/FAE, alcohol treatment, parenting, health	fund several specialized care providers for women's treatment issues	s	I	While there are some specialized programs, more locally based programs are needed. Governor has appointed state FAE/FAS coordinator to tackle the problem .
Provide more state matching funds for the WIC program so as to stop losing millions in available federal aid	144	III A 2 d	nurture	yes, legislative appropriation	yes, appropriation to secure federal funds should be close to \$400,000	WIC, health, parenting, nutrition, Healthy Families, legislation	secure legislative appropriation to fully administer program	s		This recommendation proved unnecessary as the state Division of Public Health, through the WIC coordinator, continues to maximize federal dollars -- now nearly \$20 million -- without any matching state expenditure.
Fund and promote early childhood education programs such as Head Start	152	III A 3 a	nurture	no	yes, \$300,00 in FY 98 budget for Head Start	education, preschool, student, Healthy Families, coordination	fully fund the Head Start program; promote coordination between agencies	s	I	Additional funds were not supported by the legislature in 1997. Present funding for Head Start is \$5.9 in state funds and \$16 million in other (federal, community) funds. MOAs between agencies exist with WIC, DOE, DCRA, Infant Learning, and DHSS.
Increase the percentage of children fully immunized by age two	156	III A 3 b	nurture	no	maybe, to maintain level of program	health, Healthy Families, vaccination	continue to fund "universal vaccine" program	s		Immunization manuals to cert. pre schools and through the Gov.'s greeting card. One outcome of the President's Summit on Volunteerism is a renewed interest in promoting complete immunization by the year 2000.

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Enter into more partnerships with communities for the licensing of child care facilities	158	III A 3 c	nurture	no	maybe, it is likely that funds will be required if this is ever to reach a substantial number of communities	child care, parenting, community based services	make information available to communities on becoming a "licensing partner" and secure more such agreements with local governments	s	I	Anchorage has been delegated as a licensing site and provides grant funds for some of the footwork required. Discussions are under way with some Native corporations and other communities where DFYS staff is inadequate. See also the Alaska IN project at DCRA (#II A 3 a above).
Create single set of child care standards and single licensing agency	161	III A 3 c (1)	nurture	maybe, might require an EO for reorganization	yes, some reorganization costs, though savings may result	child care, parenting, licensing, interagency coordination	create one set of standards and one licensing agency for child care and full-day preschool programs	s		There are ongoing discussions between the Departments of Health and Social Services and Community and Regional Affairs on child care coordination. Legislation has been proposed to consolidate licensing in C & RA.
Set child care training standards for providers	163	III A 3 d	nurture	no	yes, some costs may be offset by savings	child care, parenting, licensing, interagency coordination	expand regulations to ensure minimal safeguards for children in all child care settings	s		Alaska Partners, funded through Head Start grants, is progressing in its development of standards. Alaska Community Employment Plan proposes recruitment and training for child care providers statewide and by region through Resource & Referral (R&R) agency.
Face the problem of insufficient resources to protect, support, and treat children who are victims of physical or sexual abuse or neglect	169	III A 4 a	nurture	maybe, depends on solution derived	yes, \$1.6 million in additional Family Pres. grants, increased overall funding for DFYS	child abuse and neglect, DFYS resources, treatment, delinquency diversion, interagency coordination, legislation	increased appropriations, develop alternative to API for severely disturbed children of all ages	s		The Child Fatality Review Team explored some of these issues. Tragedies in 1997 and two independent audits support the contention of massive case loads. Gov.'s Smart Start focuses on increased CPS funding and more employee hires. DFYS is developing strategy to improve child abuse case review. Over 30 new social work positions funded for FY 99.

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Provide greater crisis intervention and aftercare services to children and youth who live in violent homes	175	III A 4 b	nurture	maybe, might need legislation to establish supervised visitation centers	yes	child abuse and neglect, interagency coordination, aftercare, jj	encourage development of protocol for battered persons; partner to provide supervised visitation centers; increase funding for victims shelters and youth aftercare and shelter services	s		The Child Fatality Review Team report address some of these issues. SMART START elements approved by legislature support greater intervention and aftercare services. JAIBG funds could be used here.
Review the foster care program and encourage more adults to serve as foster parents	179	III A 4 c	nurture	yes, "An Act relating to Foster Care Review Panels"	yes, system review might cost	foster care, volunteerism, legislation, jj	Pass legislation; review foster care system; seek incentives or alternatives for foster parent recruitment	s		Proposed legislation did pass the legislature in 1997, though funding remains inadequate for full implementation. Governor has appointed state panel. Public Television plans media coverage of foster care needs and KIMO 13 (tv) has developed a foster care support media campaign. Child of the month (adoption) is proposed for DFYS web page. Some increased support funded in FY 99 budget. A media plan is being developed for family services foster care.
Provide to the press the numbers of physical and sexual child abuse and neglect reports received each day	183	III A 4 d	none	no	no	child abuse and neglect, public information	develop policy and press contacts	s		New law requires number of reports of harm be publicly provided by DFYS on the internet. (see II D 3 d)
Maintain a hotline for runaways	187	III A 5 a	none	no	yes, minimal	runaways, public information, jj	establish hotline number and phone	s		National Family Partnership of Alaska in Nome has a statewide Youth - Family Awareness Line. While not a hotline, recorded messages offer teens advice on a number of issues. JAIBG proposal suggests funding a hotline.
Review the regulations governing runaway shelters	189	III A 5 b	none	no, though regulations may have to be adjusted	no	runaways, regulations, jj	review and tighten regulations governing runaway shelters	s		HB 16, recently passed by the legislature, would revisit the runaway issue. This should lead to a review of runaway regulations.

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Increase alcohol and drug treatment programs available for youth	191	III A 5 c	none	yes, "An Act relating to the revocation of driver's licenses for alcohol-related offenses" was proposed to meet some aspects of this goal.	no, legislation is revenue neutral as it raises reinstatement fees	alcohol prevention, treatment programs, alternatives to suspension, legislation, public relations, jj	Pass legislation, create Alcohol Safety Action Program (ASAP) for minors; develop outpatient model for adolescent community-based treatment (rural); culturally congruent pr camp. for inhalant abuse prevention; partner schools with alt-to susp. programs	s	I	HB 11, which created a differential driver license, also included most of the ASAP language, though without funding. This bill passed. Some funding is likely to be provided through state's recently received federally Combating Underage Drinking grant. Funding may also be available through SIB grants at DADA. JAIBG funds could also be used to support programs.
Review state and federal labor laws relating to the employment of those under 18 years of age	195	III A 5 d	none	no	no	employment, coordination, regulation review, economics	review state labor laws for inconsistencies with federal law and with an eye toward flexibility	s		Reviews are always ongoing. State and federal laws differ for youth up to 16 years of age. From Memorial Day to Labor Day federal law allows youth to work from 9 am to 7 pm, Alaska allows youth to work from 5 am to 9 pm, though businesses subject to FLSA must abide by federal times. There are concerns for the safety of youth under 18 who are responsible for late night activities. Increasingly these youth have become the victims of violent crime throughout the nation.
Provide funding for the continued operation of the National Guard Youth Corps Challenge program	196	III A 5 e	teach. mentor	no	yes, \$250,000 was in the FY 97 budget. \$3+ million will be needed in supplementals and additional funding this year.	boot camp, alternatives to detention, legislation, jj	continue funding program	s		Youth Corps funding was in the FY98 budget. Proj. Coord. GCYJ met with Youth Corps staff to begin diversifying funding base. The Corps needs nearly \$3 million for present and upcoming year operations. Funds were secured for FY 99. A private non-profit fundraising arm has been established to support Youth Corps.. JAIBG funds could support some activities.

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Continue efforts to address teen suicides, especially in rural Alaska	198	III A 5 f	protect, teach	no	yes, continuing present funding	suicide, violence prevention, mental health, community based services	continue funding existing programs (see status)	s	I	Community Based Suicide Prevention Program (in Div. AI & Drg abuse), 11 mental health centers, and a Rural Human Services Project are presently funded by the state.
Encourage schools to provide alternative education programs	202	III A 6 a	teach	maybe, establishing a regular source of funding for alternative schools might require leg.	yes, if regular source of funding is to be established	standards, substance abuse, child care, school, students, appropriation legislation, jj	identify, if possible, a regular source of funding for alternative programs -- this might be incorporated into an education endowment	s	I	There are proposals for the endowment, but they are not specific to alternative education.
Review the standards and procedures applicable to home schooling	205	III A 6 b	none	no	no	home schooling, standards	review standards and procedures and determine need, if any, for change	s		Regulations governing out-of-district homeschooling were taken before the State Board of Education March of 1998.
Create and promote educational opportunities and job training for youth and parents	208	III A 7 a	teach	no	yes, to enhance services	employment, parents, students education, interagency coordination	improve case management services; centralize and standardize referral process; improve funding; develop and maintain system of "one door" access	s		State provides 16 different ed. and job training programs. The AK Human Resource Investment Council and the Jobs Cabinet have developed a plan to meet part of this goal. DFYS/AJJAC uses OJJDP funds for employ. and train. prgs. in Anch.
Promote opportunities for home ownership for everyone	213	III A 7 b	none	no	maybe, to replace fading federal dollars or to combine services	home ownership, loans, employment, coordination, economics	ensure continuance of regional housing and AHFC programs; continue to support pilot projects like JOBS and AHFC FSS "one stop" career program	s		AHFC does provide low interest loan opportunities as do the 14 regional housing authorities. JOBS/FSS project is operating in Anchorage. Wage subsidy incentives are being developed by DPA.
Codify the philosophy of Alaska's delinquency laws	217	III A 8 a	none	yes	no	juvenile code, restorative justice, legislation, jj	draft and pass legislation	s		The Division of Family and Youth Services has rewritten their policies and procedures. These new p and p's include a strong grounding in the philosophy of Restorative Justice. HB 16, now signed into law, places the Restorative Justice philosophy in statute.

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Authorize local communities to handle less serious offenses through community courts or youth courts	223	III A 8 b	serve	yes, delegation of authority not legislation	maybe, state may wish to promote community courts through grants	youth court, community courts, alternatives to detention, jj	review Elim and Koyuk agreements for measure of success; promote similar approaches; promote youth courts	s	I	Togiak, Barrow, Elim and Koyuk are ongoing; state funds youth court projects in Anch, Kodiak, Kenai, Mat-Su, Nome, Valdez, Sitka and Fairbanks through DoED, AJJAC/DFYS, and GCYJ; state supported February, 1998 youth court conference and a national conference is planned for May '99. APPA conducted a regional teen court training in Anch Oct 20-22, 1997. Alaska Association of Youth Courts established in fall 1998. Many communities are beginning the process of establishing community courts based on the Togiak model. New P&P's for Comm. courts have been developed through Togiak and Barrow. A manual for youth courts is also in development. JAIBG funds may also be used for these type of projects.
Meet the educational needs of juvenile offenders	225	III A 8 c	teach	yes, GCYJ recommends requiring GED or graduation as condition of probation	yes	alternatives to expulsion and suspension, schools, alternative education, coordination, community based services, legislation, jj	coordinate school district programs with youth facilities; increase funding for McLaughlin school programs; mandate GED or graduation for youthful offenders	s	I	DFYS provides intensive aftercare grant to MYC; MYC is dev. an alt. after-school susp program with the Anch. Schl Dist. DFYS/OJJDP funds Fbks. shoplifting prog. and Anch. alt to susp. w/ an ed. component. Also AK Youth and Parent Found funds alt. in Anch. New youth facilities incorporate local school districts in planning process. New outcome measures in Youth Corrections seek to improve learning for offenders. JAIBG funds could be used for this category.

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Commit more resources to juvenile offenders	229	III A 8 d	teach	yes, appropriations	yes	probation, community based services, secure beds, treatment facilities, legislation, interagency coordination, jj	fund secure beds, treatment and probation officers to serve projected juvenile population; seek innovative funding strategies	s		Youth Corrections budgets for FY 99 were passed including new funds for staffing needs in Juneau, Anch., FBX and Nome. New Youth facility construction funds were approved for Ketch. and Mat-Su. Efforts to build comprehensive youth serving facility is underway in Kenai. 140K available for GCYJ projects. Internal 150% match requirement ensures leveraging of resources. JAIBG funds could be used also.
Increase access to information relating to juveniles	235	III A 8 e	none	yes	yes	victims, confidentiality, legislation, public information, jj	promote changes to HB 6 (if law) to reflect reasonable disclosure policy described in GCYJ report	s		HB 6 signed into law, exploring changes to HB 6. New Policies on juvenile disclosure at arrest available 1/98.
Change juvenile dispositions to better serve offenders, victims, and communities	241	III A 8 f	none	no	yes, grants for community based services	community based services, restorative justice, graduated sanctions, victims, alternatives to detention, jj	restructure juvenile dispositions which may require legislation; develop consistent continuum of care -- detailed -- with trained case managers who follow the child	s		DFYS/AJJAC with OJJDP funds supports 4 electronic monitoring programs in Ketchikan, Mat-Su, Anchorage and Fairbanks. Additional funds recommended for rural elc. monit. for FY 00 Development of an Assessment center is being explored within existing and proposed facilities(interagency case management). Restorative Justice and Comm. Org. training held in May, 98. More training over summer 98 in FBX, Kotz., Nome., Anch., Valdez, Homer, Barrow. Kotlik, Bethel and proposed for Dillingham, Ketch., and other sites. JAIBG funds could be used to support these efforts. Community and youth courts also meet this rec.
Amend the Rules of Court to increase the permissible length of informal probation from six months to one year	247	III A 8 g	none	yes	no	Rules of Court, legislation, probation, jj	propose legislation or amendment to existing leg to amend Rule 6(d) to increase informal supervision from 6 to 12 months	s		SCS CSHB 16(FIN) repealed Delinquency Rules 6 and 7, eliminating court rules that relate to Intake and with emergency detention or placement essentially accomplishing this goal.

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Create a juvenile sex offender task force	248	III A 8 h	none	yes, EO	yes, minimal	serious crime, sex offense, foster care, waiver, treatment, legislation, jj	Governor to appoint task force and review system	s		There is not a state-wide Juv. Sex offender task force, though there are some local task forces.
Create a dual-sentencing option for those at risk of becoming chronic serious juvenile offenders	251	III A 8 i	none	yes	no	sentencing, legislation, serious crime, jj	draft and pass legislation	s		AS 47.12.065 establishes dual sentencing.
Form community justice action teams to focus on and help those juveniles at risk of becoming chronic serious offenders	256	III A 8 j	none	no	no	interagency coordination, community based services, intensive supervision, public relations, jj	work with communities to set up teams along the Middlesex, MA model (this can be accomplished through TA); psa's; public relations; possibly State of the Child address	s	I	The idea of setting up such teams has been floated in Anchorage and Dillingham. McLaughlin and the new Mat Su facility are considering an assessment center which might incorporate some of these ideas. The reinvigorating of the cross-agency SHOCAP program in Anchorage is also moving in this direction. Inter Tribal Collaboration has discussed this option. JAIBG funds could support similar efforts.
Involve parents and extended families more in their children's delinquency hearings, supervision, placement, case management, and treatment	261	III A 8 k	none	no, implement existing laws	no	parents, courts, disposition, child support, alternatives to detention, collaboration, jj	implement legislation requiring involvement of parents at hearings and in disposition; require earlier payment of child support when child in state custody	s		New federal legislation (HR 3) would not allow Alaska to prohibit judicial sanctions against parents. HB 371 makes it a crime for a parent to refuse to participate in a child court hearing. The state's new welfare plan would mandate greater parent responsibility for eligibility. Community courts in Togiak and Barrow do this. AS 47.12.155 mandates parental participation in a minor's treatment.
Reduce time delays for law enforcement agencies to report to those who screen offenses	263	III A 8 l	none	no	no	reporting, interagency coordination, timeliness, restorative justice, jj	state can facilitate standardizing reporting	s	I	While time delays have been reported in Fairbanks, recent cooperation in Anchorage with community-based policing has led to improved communication regarding delinquent offenders. Performance Measures at Youth Corrections and community-based youth and community courts also improve times for reporting..

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Do not further expand automatic waiver for juvenile offenders	265	III A 8 m	none	yes, veto of waiver legislation	no	serious crime, legislation, jj	promote accurate statistics on ineffectiveness of waiver and current reductions in crime; proactively approach the legislature	s		AG Reno released data indicating 25% decline in violent Juv Crime (95) which has continued for past two years both nationally and in Alaska. Anch. UCR data backs this up -- at least a 2 and 1/2 year decline in Juv crime rates. 15% decrease in the Alaska Violent Crime Index reported from 1995 to 1997, though 16% increase in violent juvenile arrests. Recent data appears to improve violent crime stats. State continues to oppose expanding waiver and focuses on intervention and prevention of less violent offenders. JAIBG funds could be used for alternatives to improve system to obviate a need for waiver.
Increase the state's ability to collect and analyze data relating to juveniles	267	III A 8 n	none	yes, appropriation for unified, uniform database for Juvenile offender information, additional analyst positions	yes	coordination, reporting, legislation, jj	determine feasibility of standardizing juvenile record keeping in APSIN from ORCA; determine appropriate staffing levels	s		Federal funds (\$220k) will be used for Alaska study of impact of Child Abuse on predilection for committing offenses. \$2 million for new rural juvenile offender data base also federally funded. SHOCAP interagency cooperation could reveal key predictors of delinquency. Some JAIBG funding will support improvements in data/information.
Change the terminology used in juvenile proceedings so that citizens can understand the process	271	III A 8 o	none	maybe, might require change in statutes to adjust legislation	no	media, terminology, public information, legislation, jj	review terms; draft and pass legislation if necessary	s		Some language has been proposed by a representative and this is under review by the Children's Cabinet.

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Ask the judicial council to perform an evaluation of the effectiveness of these changes (redefinition of terms) in two years	273	III A 8 p	none	no	no	review, evaluation, interagency coordination, jj	request Alaska Judicial Council to evaluate recs.; implement juvenile offender recommendations	s		No action.
Develop outcome measures and program performance evaluations for state-operated or state-funded services	276	III B 1	none	no	yes	evaluation, interagency coordination, jj	review pilot efforts and continue to develop outcome/performance measures	s		DHSS is planning pilot projects to establish performance measures for several programs during FY97. New legislation passed by the legislature makes this state policy DFYS provided outcome measures as did other state agencies for FY 99.
Establish an integrated statewide system for data collection	279	III B 2	none	no	yes, some related to coordination	interagency coordination, information, research, jj	continue Data Integration Steering Committee (DISC) process; determine process for collecting private industry information	s		DHSS is continuing the DISC process. Some JAIBG funds will be devoted to data collection.
Continue efforts to reduce the disproportionate minority impact in the criminal justice system	281	III B 3	none	no	no	minorities, research, alternatives to detention, jj	continue current DFYS efforts at training, educating and incorporating strategies for disproportionate minority representation in the system	s		DHSS provides training to prob. officers and has info. on DMC in RFPs. Also public and key justice workers are educated through publications and presentations. AK Native Just. Cntr. conf. Oct. '96 focused on DMC and issued report. New UAA 8/97 report w/ DFYS has prepared 2nd phase (May, 98). These reports were funded by AJJAC which continues to focus on DMC issues. JAIBG funding in key areas of rural Alaska could help provide alternatives to detention that reduce disproportionate minority confinement. New community courts in native villages (sponsored by GCYJ) may help reduce DMC.

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Set up pilot projects to decategorize federal and state funding tracks so as to allow blended services	285	III C 1	mentor, teach, serve, protect	no	yes, for implementation -- though funds are likely to be saved in the long run	grants, interagency coordination, community based services, jj	identify a reasonable pilot project to begin decategorization	s		The Department of Health and Social Services and DFYS have developed with the University of Alaska an education and training program. This combined training program could serve as a pilot project for the decategorization of federal and state funds by combining funding streams as part of DFYS' proposed Comprehensive Plan for Training. CAPTA (federal program) money would be used with IV B and other funds. Some Independent Living funds may also be used for University-based training or foster parent training. Community funding matrix being prepared. Efforts also underway by GCYJ Project Coordinator to try and coordinate youth funding in a prevention matrix.
Coordinate and consolidate more departmental services	287	III C 2	none	no	maybe, some funds for initial implementation might be needed	interagency coordination, training, continuum of care, jj	review proposed DHSS coordination (see status) for replication of model and additional coordination	s		In DHSS, DMHDD, DFYS and DMA have a pilot project that seeks to coordinate mental health delivery. DFYS is developing curriculum for joint training of Social, Pub Health, & Fam-Yth Ser. workers, and Soc. Ser., and Health. Ser. providers. New youth facilities offer opportunity to integrate youth serving agencies in one location. JAIBG funds could be used for system improvement efforts to facilitate further coordination.
Co-locate some services and programs to provide convenient "one-stop shopping" sites	289	III C 3	none	yes, state procurement code	yes, might be slightly more expensive in terms of leases	interagency coordination, leasing, community based services, legislation	review regulations and laws; draft and pass necessary procurement legislation to provide leasing terms favorable to one-stop shops	s		DHSS has promoted one-stop shopping pilot projects in Anchorage and Ketchikan. Muldoon Community Development Corporation is attempting to do this in Anchorage.

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Continue in collaborative efforts with Native organizations	291	III C 4	none	no	no	collaboration, coordination, minorities, jj	continue coordination and communication with Alaska Native organizations	s		Togiak, Barrow, Elim and Koyuk courts; current activities underway through fed. Family Pres. and Family Support legislation which promotes coordination; coordination continues with AK Nat. Just. Cnt. (ANJC) Native set aside program part of DPA plan. Explore "circle sentencing". Working with ANJC to continue development of native AK youth courts (\$500k in fed funds available). Continued work with Inter-tribal collaboration. JAIBG funds could be used for collaborative efforts.
Develop uniform and simpler processes and procedures to facilitate access to public assistance and program services	293	III C 5	nurture	maybe, to simplify or standardize forms and requirements	no	health, Medicaid, forms, legislation, interagency coordination	"swipe" cards instead of food stamps;; continued efforts at revising and simplifying forms	s		Alaska Public Health Improvement Project and the Jobs Cabinet are working on this proposal. A draft plan was submitted in late May, 1997. There is also a federal Work Opportunity Tax Credit. The state is proposing legislation for a similar plan.
Develop educational packets for the public and information training packets for employees to explain the policies and rules on the confidentiality of information related to juveniles	295	III C 6	none	no, requires policy change	yes	public information, confidentiality, coordination, schools, students, jj	develop educational materials on policies and rules on confidentiality; staff training; information sharing between DFYS, schools and other agencies	s		Following the passage of 1997's HB 6, confidentiality rules were prepared by DFYS staff. Training has been offered on new rules for all staff and some press.
Monitor new legislation that significantly impacts children and their families	297	III C 7	none	no	no	monitoring, legislation, jj	set up system for monitoring legislation perhaps through interdepartmental working group or Children's Cabinet	s		Outside of traditional Departmental reviews, reviews are conducted by the AK Adolesc. Health Advisory Comm., AJJAC, GCYJ members, Juv. Just wkg group in Anchorage.

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Promote prevention in Alaska	299	III C 8	nurture, protect, serve, teach, mentor	maybe (resolution, constitutional Amendment, statute, or EO)	yes	prevention, legislation, interagency coordination, jj	constant discussion of prevention issues; continue State of the Child Address	s	I	Ongoing, There was a presentation on the Governor's Conference prevention efforts at the Prevention Symposium, 11/97. Prevention is promoted at all GCYJ facilitated meetings and continues to be a part of DHSS planning processes. Prevention is also promoted specifically by AHAC, AJJAC, Youth Corrections and other youth-serving agencies. JAIBG funds could be used also. GCYJ grants in general support Prevention as do many of the states and federal government's granting programs.